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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State-Certification of Support for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314

The Wyoming Public Service Commission (WPSC), pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a)¹, hereby submits its 2019 annual certification to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC). In addition, WPSC applied the requirements and guidelines of its rule Chapter 4, Section 14 (Section 14): Annual Reporting Requirements for All Previously Designated ETCs Pursuant to the Annual Certification Guidelines and Standards Set Forth in Part 54 of Title 47 of the CFR. Section 14 stems from the WPSC's authority under the Wyoming Telecommunications Act, and Section 254 of the federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 254, 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 (high-cost) and 54.422 (Lifeline).

During the 2019 certification year, WPSC obtained documentation pursuant to Section 14 from its jurisdictional ETCs including signed affidavits. The WPSC certifies, for the carriers listed in Table 1, all federal high-cost support provided to each carrier within Wyoming was used in the preceding calendar year (2018), and will be used in the coming calendar year (2020), only for the provision, maintenance, and

Requires the appropriate state regulatory authority to annually certify those eligible telecommunications carriers within its jurisdiction for purposes of receiving federal universal service support.

upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.² Additionally, the documentation provided by each ETC was the subject of a public hearing on September 19, 2019. Based upon the applications submitted and information received at the public hearing, the WPSC approved the application for each ETC listed in Table 1. The WPSC finds it to be in the public interest to certify the ETCs in Table 1 for high-cost support mechanism, and / or the Lifeline and Link Up support mechanisms, and continue Universal Service Funds support payments for another year.

Table 1

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Telecommunications Carrier Name	Study Area Code				
Advanced Communications Technology, Inc.	519004				
All West Communications, Inc.	512290				
CenturyTel of Wyoming, Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink	512299				
Chugwater Telephone Company, Inc.	512289				
Dubois Telephone Exchange, Inc.	512291				
Gold Star Communications LLC d/b/a Silver Star Communications	519005				
Boomerang Wireless LLC., d/b/a enTouch Wireless	519015				
Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC	515108				
Range Telephone Cooperative, Inc., (includes RT Communications, Inc.)	512251				
Silver Star Telephone Communications, Inc., d/b/a Silver Star Communications	519001				
Silver Star Telephone Communications, Inc., d/b/a/ Silver Star Communications	512295				
Tempo Telecom LLC d/b/a Tempo	519014				
Tri County Telephone Association, Inc.	512296				
Uintah Basin Electronics Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a Strata Networks	519011				
Union Telephone Company, Inc.	512297				
	519905				
	518001				
Union Talanham C	518002				
Union Telephone Company, Inc., d/b/a Union Cellular	518003				
	518004				
	518005				
	518006				
United Telephone Company of the West, Inc., d/b/a CenturyLink of the West	511595				

Any documentation obtained during the certification process shall be made available upon request. If any additional information is needed to assure certification of these carriers, please contact Chief Counsel Christopher Petrie at (307) 777-5763.

Sincerely,

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² 47 U.S.C. § 54.314.

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